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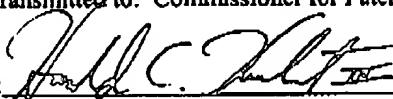
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 19, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 14, 15 and 30, without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

With this response, claims 14, 15 and 30 have been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 6-13, 16-29 and 30-32 remain in the application for consideration. No new fee is believed to be due at this time. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Rejection of Claims 14, 15 and 30 Under 35 U.S.C. 112

Claims 14-15 and 30 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. section 112, first paragraph, for the reasons as set forth in paragraph 4 of the last Office Action (viz. section (c) (i.e., lines 7-13) and also section (b) in the last two lines, of this paragraph.

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